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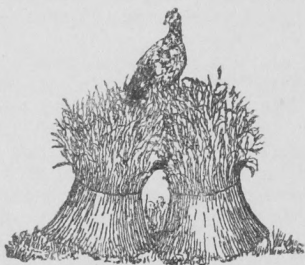


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Constitution

1. This Association shall be called the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Association.

2. The objects of the Association shall be:—

(a) To forward the interests of the grain growers in every honorable and legitimate way.

(b) To watch legislation relating to the grain growers' interests, particularly that affecting the marketing, grading and transportation of their grain.

(c) To suggest to Parliament from time to time as it is found necessary, through duly appointed delegates, the passing of any new legislation to meet changing conditions and requirements.

3. This Association shall consist of a Central Association, one or more Local Associations and 15 or more Organization Districts.

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION

4. The Central Association shall be comprised of the delegates duly elected by the Local Associations as provided for in Clause 15.

5. The officers of the Central Association shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary Treasurer, five Directors at

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large, and fifteen District Directors. The President, Vice-President and the five Directors at large shall be elected by ballot from and by the whole assembly. The Secretary Treasurer shall be appointed by the Board of Directors and shall hold office until his successor is appointed.

(a) The fifteen District Directors shall be nominated by the delegates from the Local Association within the limits of each of the said districts. In case one or more is nominated, ballots shall be prepared and the whole assembly may vote.

6. The Executive of the Association shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Secretary Treasurer and three Directors of said Association, to be elected by the Directors.

7. The Central Association shall hold a meeting or meetings each year on such date as the President may decide, or at the instance of three of the Executive.

8. The annual meeting of the Central Association shall be held not later than the 28th of February at such place as shall be decided upon from time to time at the annual meeting. Two auditors and all officers except the Secretary Treasurer shall be elected, the report of the Executive officers received and such other business transacted as the meeting shall decide. The annual meeting shall consist of the officers and Directors of the Association and all duly qualified delegates.

9. The Association financial year shall end December 31st.

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LIFE MEMBERSHIP

10. (a) Any person may, by sending his name and address with \$12.00 to the Central Association, become a life member, but without convention privileges unless duly elected a delegate.

(b) There shall be three Trustees to have charge of the life membership fund, who shall be appointed by and hold office during the pleasure of the Board of Directors, who shall fix their remuneration.

(c) Two dollars of the life membership fee shall go to the general revenue of the Central Association; ten dollars shall go into a trust fund to be invested by the trustees secured by first mortgages on improved farm lands, at 40 per cent. of their valuation. The interest only of the fund shall go into the general revenue of the Central Association.

(d) Immediately upon receipt of Trust Funds the Secretary Treasurer of the Trustee Board shall cause said Trust Funds to be deposited in a chartered bank to the credit of the Life Membership Trust Fund of the Saskatchewan Grain Growers Association (incorporated) and shall only be withdrawn at the order of the Trustees for investment.

(e) The Trustees shall give security by bonds, satisfactory to the Executive, as provided for in the Provincial Trust Ordinance.

(f) They shall present to the Directors, who shall present it to the annual meeting.

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a report showing the amount of the fund, expense and net revenue.

(g) The Trustees shall elect a Chairman and Secretary Treasurer from among themselves.

(h) The Trustees shall issue a certificate to each life member. These shall be numbered consecutively.

LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS

11. (a) Any person may become a member of a Local Association by sending or giving his name and address to the Secretary accompanied by the annual membership fee of \$1, 50c of which shall belong to the funds of the Central Association. Such funds shall be forwarded quarterly to the Secretary Treasurer of the Central Association, or

(b) By becoming a Life Member as provided in Clause 10, and paying the annual fee to the Local Association where they reside, less the Central dues.

12. The officers of a Local Association shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary Treasurer and six Directors.

13. The Executive of a Local Association shall consist of officers and Directors of said subordinate Association.

14. Each Local Association shall hold an annual meeting not later than December 15th, at which all officers shall be elected and the report of the executive officers received; delegates to the Central Association and an auditor elected and such other bus-

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ness transacted as the members may decide.

15. Each Local Association shall be entitled to elect one delegate to the Central Association for each fully paid up ten members, provided such Local Association is not in arrears to the Central Association.

(a) For the purpose of electing delegates to the Central Association, all life members shall be considered members of the subordinate Association where they reside.

(b) In case any Local Association disorganizes or fails to appoint delegates to the Central Convention, the life members residing in the district represented by the said Local Association may appoint the said delegates in such manner as the Central Executive shall from time to time direct, and if all the said Associations disorganize, the life members shall be organized under the direction of the Executive and Trustee Board for the appointment of delegates and carrying on the objects of the Association.

16. A Local Association may hold other meetings at the discretion of the President and Secretary Treasurer.

17. All sections from 18 to 34 inclusive, of this Constitution, and the by-laws, apply to the Central and also the Local Association.

18. A resolution committee, consisting of the Board of Directors shall meet the day previous to the annual meeting and all resolutions intended to be brought before this

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Committee shall be in the hands of the Secretary ten days before the annual meeting.

DUTY OF OFFICERS

President

19. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Association, decide all questions of order, and make any suggestions he may deem necessary in the interests of the Association.

Vice-President

20. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to aid and assist the President. In the absence of the President the powers and duties of the President shall devolve on a Vice-President.

Secretary Treasurer

21. It shall be the duty of the Secretary Treasurer to attend all meetings of the Association, the officers and the Executive and keep correct minutes of the same; conduct all correspondence, issue all press and other reports, and prepare for publication the annual report. As Treasurer he shall receive and account for all monies belonging to the Association, pay all bills and accounts that have been approved of by the Executive. He shall have the power of managing director, acting under the control and with the approval of the Executive.

22. By virtue of his office he shall be a member of each committee appointed.

23. Before entering upon the duties of his office he shall enter into a bond with

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security when required which shall be approved by the Executive.

OFFICERS

24. The Board of Directors shall at their first meeting and when afterwards necessary, appoint a Secretary Treasurer and fix his remuneration, who shall remain in his office during pleasure.

25. At each annual meeting the retiring Executive officers shall present a full report of their proceedings and of the proceedings of the Association, a detailed statement of the receipts and expenditures and assets, and also such general information on matters of special interest to this association as the officers may have been able to obtain, and this report (except in the case of Local Associations) shall be sent to the Commissioner of Agriculture for the Province of Saskatchewan within forty days after the holding of such annual meeting.

26. It shall be the duty of each officer and representative to support at all times the ruling of the majority, whether at the annual or Executive meeting, his own opinion to the contrary notwithstanding.

27. No officer shall disclose motions, ruling, names of movers, seconders, etc., providing the meeting rules that such data shall not be made public, nor shall any officer, except the Secretary, furnish newspaper reports of meetings or proceedings.

28. The person whose name is placed first on a committee shall be the convenor of that committee.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

29. In case a vacancy occurs in the officers or directorate, the Executive shall fill such vacancy forthwith.

QUORUM

30. Not less than five members shall be a quorum to transact business for the Association; not less than five shall be a quorum at any Directors' meeting and not less than three members shall be a quorum at an Executive meeting.

31. The officers or members of the Executive, or any committee, may conduct the correspondence in connection with the duties assigned to said officers, executive or committee, by the constitution or bylaws, or by the Association, when such course is deemed advisable by said officers, executive or committee.

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

32. At least three weeks' notice shall be given of each annual or general meeting, naming time and place of meeting. Notice may be given through the public press or by a circular letter mailed to each member, and in case of the Central Association, to each President and Secretary Treasurer of the local associations.

33. An officers' meeting shall be called by mailing, at least two weeks before date of meeting, to each officer a notice of a meeting as provided above.

BYLAWS

34. The Executive shall frame such bylaws and regulations for its own and the

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Association's government as are in its judgment for the best interests of the Association, and not inconsistent with the constitution and articles of incorporation.

ADDITIONS AND AMENDMENTS

35. Any member desiring to introduce any addition or amendment to the Constitution shall submit a draft thereof to the Central Secretary at least thirty days prior to the date of the regular annual meeting, and the Central Secretary shall forthwith communicate the same to each Local Secretary by circular letter.

(a) An addition or amendment to the Constitution shall require a two-thirds vote of the members present at the annual meeting to pass.

36. That the Agricultural Societies be allowed to affiliate with the Association by paying the usual fee of 50 cents per member.

37. The railway rates of all delegates to the annual convention shall be pooled.

By-Laws

1. The following shall be the order of business of meetings of the Association:

- 1—Reading minutes of previous meeting.
- 2—Address and report of officers.
- 3—Reports of committees.
- 4—Unfinished business.
- 5—New business.
- 6—Addresses and discussions.
- 7—Opening of question drawer.
- 8—Election of officers.
- 9—Adjournment.

2. Except by permission of the presiding officer no member or other person shall speak except to ask a question or to introduce or speak to motion.

3. In the discussions following the introduction of a subject no person shall speak more than twice or for a longer time than five minutes, except by a vote of the meeting.

4. When a question is under consideration no motion shall be in order except the following: (1) To adjourn; (2) to postpone; (3) to amend. These motions take precedence in the order named, and the first two shall be decided without debate.

5. Before the vote is taken on any motion or amendment, the President shall ask: "Is the meeting ready for the question?" The motion shall not be put so long as any member desires to speak and is in order. Any member desirous of asking a question on the subject introduced may do so verbally; but if he desires to ask more than two questions, he must submit them to the Secretary in writing.

Organization Districts & District Directors Elected for 1913

DISTRICT No. 1—C.P.R. Outlook and G.T.P. Westward from Moose Jaw to Saskatchewan River—P. M. HENDRICKS Outlook P.O.

DISTRICT No. 2—C.P.R. Soo Line and C.N.R. South Eastward from Moose Jaw to Midale—M. P. BODDY, Rouleau.

DISTRICT No. 3—C.P.R. lines from Midale to Portal, from Estevan to Gainsboro and from Weyburn to Antler with adjacent associations—NELSON SPENCER, Carnduff P.O.

DISTRICT No. 4—C.P.R. and G.T.P. line from Moose Jaw via Regina to the point where each strike the Weyburn-Stoughton branch—F. M. GATES, Fillmore P.O.

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- DISTRICT No. 5—C.N.R. from Regina Eastward and C. P. Wolseley-Reston from Wolseley East to the Manitoba boundary—J. W.—EASTON, Moosomin P.O.
- DISTRICT No. 6—Main Line of C.P.R. from Regina Eastward to Manitoba boundary—F. H. REDMAN, Grenfell P.O.
- DISTRICT No. 7—Main line of Grand Trunk Pacific Eastward from Saskatoon to Manitoba boundary, and C.P.R. Kirkella line Eastward from Nokomis to Manitoba boundary—J. E. PAYNTER, Tantallon P.O.
- DISTRICT No. 8—C.N.R. from Regina to Saskatoon and C.P. Last Mountain line from Regina to point of crossing G. T.P. main line—A. B. MCGREGOR, Davidson P.O.
- DISTRICT No. 9—C.P. Yorkton line from Saskatoon East to Manitoba boundary—JOHN F. REID, Arcadia P.O.
- DISTRICT No. 10—Main line C.N.R. from Warman Eastward to Manitoba boundary—J. L. ROOKE, Togo P.O.
- DISTRICT No. 11—C.N.R. Westward from Warman to Alberta boundary—D. SALES, Langham P.O.
- DISTRICT No. 12—North from Saskatoon to Prince Albert and East to Manitoba boundary—ANDREW KNOX, Prince Albert.
- DISTRICT No. 13—All lines running westerly out of Saskatoon to Alberta Boundary, and adjacent associations north of the South branch of Saskatchewan river—Dr. HENRY, Milden P.O.
- DISTRICT No. 14—C.P.R. main line West from Moose Jaw to Alberta boundary—JOHN H. BURRELL, Gerowville P.O.

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DISTRICT No. 15—Territory South of Moose Jaw and West of Forward and Colgate on C. P. R. and C. N. R. lines respectively—THOS. CONLAN, Archive P.O.

Directors at Large

F. W. GREEN, Moose Jaw
J. B. MUSSELMAN Cupar
GEORGE LANGLEY, Maymont
C. E. FLATT, Tantallon
A. G. HAWKES, Percival

Executive for 1913

Honorary President, E. N. Hopkins, Moose Jaw
President, J. A. Maharg, Moose Jaw
Vice President, Charles Dunning, Regina
Secretary-Treasurer, F. W. Green, Moose Jaw
F. M. Gates, Fillmore
J. F. Reid, Orcadia
A. G. Hawkes, Percival

Life Membership

Trustees of life membership fund—A. W. Irwin
B. H. Thompson, J. A. Maharg, Moose Jaw

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